



Welcome to Fredericksburg Parks and Recreation where we have fun for the family...

Fall brings a different kind of fun to the Fredericksburg Parks and Recreation Department. We close our pool at Dixon Park and fill the fields with soccer and field hockey players. While their brothers and sisters practice, little ones find their way to the playground, and parents walk the nature trails, squeezing in a few minutes of exercise during a busy day.

The leaves explode with color out at Motts Reservoir, making you feel like you've driven hours, and yet you're only minutes from town. The fishing is good and the staff is friendly. If you don't want to fish, you can hike one of the many trails that meander around the hills that surround Motts. There is also a Nature Center at Motts, open on weekends throughout the season. The volunteer staff will gladly show you around the many displays, and might even let you pet our resident snake, Pocket.

Alum Spring Park is another place where you can relax and feel like you have gotten away from it all. The babbling stream, the beautiful woods, and the lovely walking paths are inviting. But watch your step in late October – Alum Spring Park is the place for our Annual Hobgoblin Hike. On that special night the woods are filled with all kinds of ghost, goblins and other creatures of the night.

As the leaves fall, and the air turns cold, our focus turns to the Holidays. The many seasonal activities we have planned make it easy to enjoy some of the simpler joys of the season. It all culminates with our very special First Night Celebration, where families come together to help ring in the new year in down town. First Night is a perfect way to end one year, and welcome the new.

So even as you say good-bye to summer, start planning now for lots of family fun this fall with Fredericksburg Parks & Recreation!



Jane Shelhorse
Assistant Director

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How To Read Program Listings

Age of participants. Must be minimum age by the first class.

Activity Number

Length of program

Fees for City Residents & Non-Res.

Location of program

Registration start dates

Program's Name

(Ages: 2 to 5 yrs)

Description of the activity you may be considering. Includes important notes on supplies and more.

1234.101 Mon, Mar 1-Mar 15 3:00pm-4:00pm
3 week session
\$15 City, \$23 Non-City Resident
Dorothy Hart Community Center
Instructor: Fred PRPF
Registration begins: 11/15 City 11/22 Non-City

Welcome to the Dorothy Hart Community Center



The home of the
Parks and Recreation
Department...
and home to
many of our
programs and activities.

The Dorothy Hart Community Center is located at 408 Canal Street in downtown Fredericksburg, Virginia. Parking is available at the rear of the building. FRED bus also stops at Canal & Charles Streets.

The Community Center is open Monday through Friday, 8:30am until 9:30pm. The Parks and Recreation administrative offices are located within the Community Center. You may register in person Monday through Friday from 9:00am until 9:00pm and on Saturdays from 9:00am to 1:00pm. The Center and administrative offices are closed on Sundays and National Holidays.

The Community Center has an auditorium, three classrooms and a kitchen which hold many Parks and Recreation indoor activities. These rooms are also available for public rental. For room rental information, call Parks & Recreation, 372-1086 ext. 201 or visit www.fredericksburgva.gov/PR to download the rental policies.

Hours of Registration

Monday - Friday, 9:00am to 9:00pm
Saturday, 9:00am to 1:00pm Sunday, Closed

The center is CLOSED on these holidays:

September 4 October 9 November 10
November 23-24 December 25

Fredericksburg Parks, Recreation & Public Facilities Department



Department Mission:

The mission of the Fredericksburg Parks and Recreation Department is to enhance the lives of our citizens by providing a diverse package of recreation and park opportunities.

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Randolf Meyers, <i>Sports Turf Supervisor</i>	Dial 8 - Ext. 203

Recreation Commission

R. Edward Crosslin Chairman
Kenneth S. Kroko, Vice Chairman

Brian J. Baker	Robert C. Carter
George W. Coghill, Jr.	Patricia B. Green
Charles W. McDaniel	George C. Solley
Susan C. Tyler	

Commission meetings are held the third Thursday of each month, 7:00pm at the Dorothy Hart Community Center. The public is welcome.



Fredericksburg City Council

Thomas J. Tomzak, M.D., Mayor
Kerry P. Devine, Vice-Mayor

Marvin J. Dixon	Deborah L. Girvan
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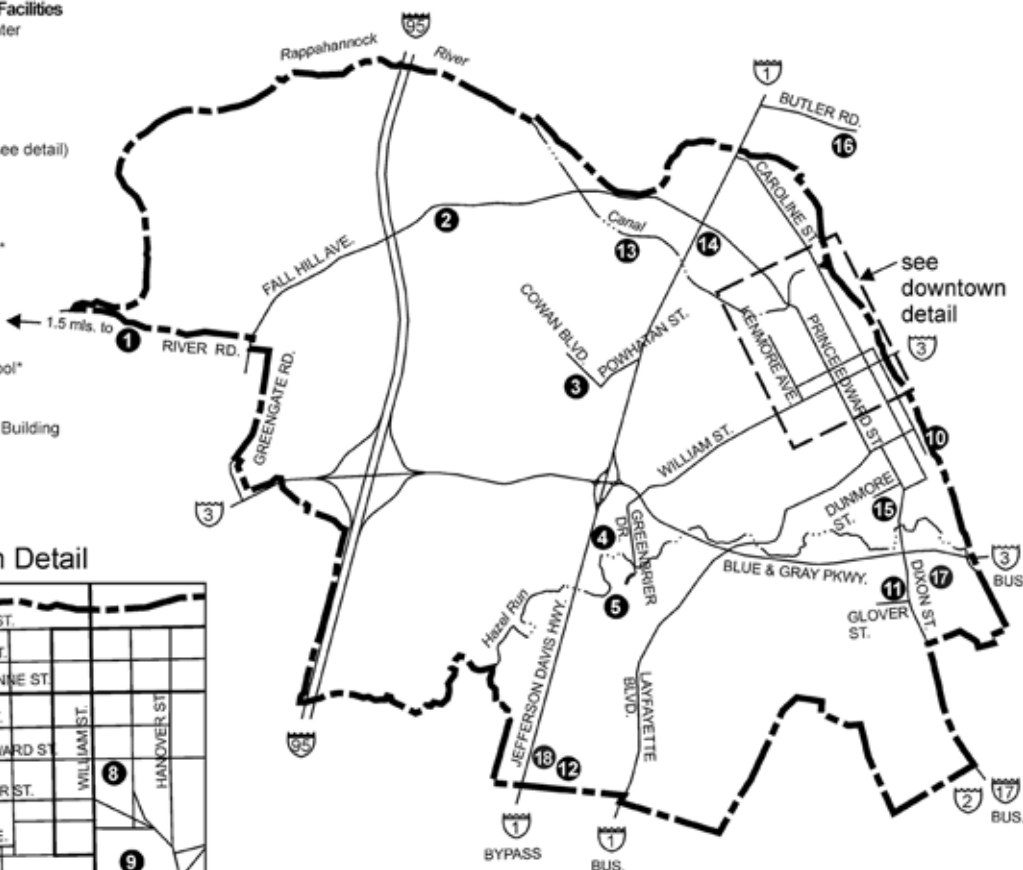
Fredericksburg Parks & Recreation Facilities

1. Motts Run Reservoir & Nature Center
2. Snowden Park
3. Hugh Mercer Elementary School*
4. National Guard Armory
5. Alum Spring Park
6. Memorial Park (see detail)
7. Dorothy Hart Community Center (see detail)
8. Hurkamp Park (see detail)
9. Maury School Park (see detail)*
10. City Dock
11. W. L. Harris Playground
12. New Walker-Grant Middle School*
13. Canal Path
14. James Monroe High School*
15. Original Walker-Grant School*
16. Ray Grizzle Activity Center**
17. Dixon Street Park
18. Lafayette Upper Elementary School*

* Indicates City School Facility

** Indicates Fred/Staff Park Authority Building

Downtown Detail



City of Fredericksburg

FACILITY MAP

Looking to find where our programs are held? Use this map to locate the facilities maintained by the Fredericksburg Parks and Recreation Department. PLUS, you will also find additional facilities used for recreation programs.

If you are unable to find a location, or need additional information, do not hesitate to call our office 372-1086, ext. 201 during business hours.

Please Remember - River Safety!

The Rappahannock River is a beautiful and often serene looking natural area; but it is also VERY dangerous! Be extremely careful if you are anywhere near the river.

FREDERICKSBURG - STAFFORD PARK AUTHORITY

Citizens of all ages are invited to enjoy their beautiful parks. These parks consist of 222 acres and are located along the Rappahannock River. They are:

- St. Clair Brooks Memorial Park
- Old Mill Park
- John Lee Pratt Memorial Park
- Falmouth Waterfront Park
- C. Ray Grizzle Activity Center

Permission to use Activity Center, picnic shelters, and ball fields may be obtained through the Director's Office. Reservations should be made several weeks in advance, priority will be given to citizens of Fredericksburg & Stafford. Park Authority Office located at 60 Butler Rd.

For more information call 373-7909.



Alum Spring Park

Discover this hidden treasure within our city limits! This wooded park is located at the end of Greenbrier Drive extended. It is equipped with a renovated picnic shelter, picnic tables, restrooms, grills, play equipment,

walking paths, and a fitness trail. Alum is now open 9 am - 5pm. To make reservations to rent the shelter, call the Parks & Recreation office, 372-1086, ext. 0.

Canal Path

This paved pathway is 1.8 miles long and winds along the canal from Fall Hill Avenue to Princess Anne Street.

City Dock

This historic dock dates back to George Washington's day. Public fishing permitted. Located near the end of Sophia Street, just past the railroad tracks.



Dixon Park

The City's newest outdoor facility is 46 acres and features athletic fields, outdoor swimming pool, playground equipment, 1.5 miles of trails, restrooms, and nature preserve areas.

Dixon Park is located on Rt. 2 & 17 across from Mayfield subdivision.



Fredericksburg Dog Park

Located on Kenmore Ave. near Mary Ball St. is a special fenced in area available to City residents and their dogs only, and is self monitored by its users. City residents who wish to use this facility need to have dog tags for their pets, which are available at City Hall.

W.L. Harris Playground

Located in the community of Mayfield, this park has a covered shelter, playground equipment, and a lighted basketball court.

City of Fredericksburg Outdoor Facilities	Basketball Courts	Benches / Seating	Covered Shelter	Field / Open Play Area	Fishing	Picnic Area	Playground Equipment	Restrooms/ Porta Potties	Swimming	Tennis Courts	Trails
Alum Spring Park		●	●			●	●	●			●
Canal Path											●
City Dock		●			●						
Dixon Park				●			●	●	●		●
Fredericksburg Dog Park											
W.L. Harris Playground	●		●	●							
Hurkamp Park		●						●			
Maury Playground	●			●			●	●			
Memorial Park	●	●		●		●	●	●		●	
Motts Run Reservoir		●	●		●	●		●			●
Motts Run Nature Center		●				●		●			
Old Walker-Grant School	●			●			●				
Snowden Park	●			●			●	●			



Hurkamp Park's fountain and benches are appealing to visitors year round.

Hurkamp Park

An historic downtown park with a fountain, brick sidewalks and benches in the style of a traditional city park. Local farmers sell produce at Hurkamp Park on Saturdays and weekday mornings along the Prince Edward and George Street sides. The park features a brand new wall and wider sidewalk for the farmers market customers. The park is surrounded by William St., Prince Edward St., and George St. To reserve the Hurkamp Park for your public event, contact the Parks & Recreation office, 540-372-1086 ext. 0.

Maury Playground

Located at William St. and Kenmore Ave., Maury Playground has an open play area and playground equipment.

Memorial Park

Memorial Park (sometimes referred to as Kenmore Park) is located on the corner of Kenmore Ave. and Mary Ball St. Memorial Park is equipped with 2 unlighted tennis courts and 6 tennis courts that are lighted from dusk - 10 pm throughout the year, as well as a tennis practice wall, basketball court, youth soccer field, children's play equipment, and a toddler play area.



The mission of the Fredericksburg Pathways Committee is to update and encourage implementation of our city's current pathways plan in order to provide safe connections for walkers, runners and bikers between home, school, parks, shopping, the river and downtown. Are you interested in Pathways for walkers, runners, and bikers throughout the City? The Pathways Committee is interested in hearing from you. Please email them at citypathways@cox.net with your questions and ideas.

Motts Run Reservoir Recreation Area

This 860-acre natural area including the 160-acre reservoir, is a haven for fishing, boating, canoeing, hiking, and picnicking. It also serves the residents of Fredericksburg and parts of Spotsylvania County with drinking water. You may bring your own boat (**ELECTRIC MOTORS ONLY**) to launch on the lake, or fish from the banks. Fee charged for fishing and boat launching. No swimming, horseback riding, biking of any kind, or all-terrain vehicles permitted. The park has jon boats and canoes available for rental, picnic grills and tables, and over 4 miles of hiking trails. NEW: Orienteering Course - MAPS Online! You can download course maps and the necessary information to use them, on-line! Go to www.fredericksburgva.gov and select Parks and Recreation, then Program Notes. Maps must be saved to a file for printing. Bring your own compass and enjoy the thrill of orienteering! Motts Reservoir is open daily from 6:00am to 8:00pm April - October

Motts Run Nature Center

Manned by volunteers, the log cabin is open Saturdays and Sundays, April through October. Nature programs held in the center are available at other times during the year. For more information or to volunteer, call 372-1086, ext. 213.

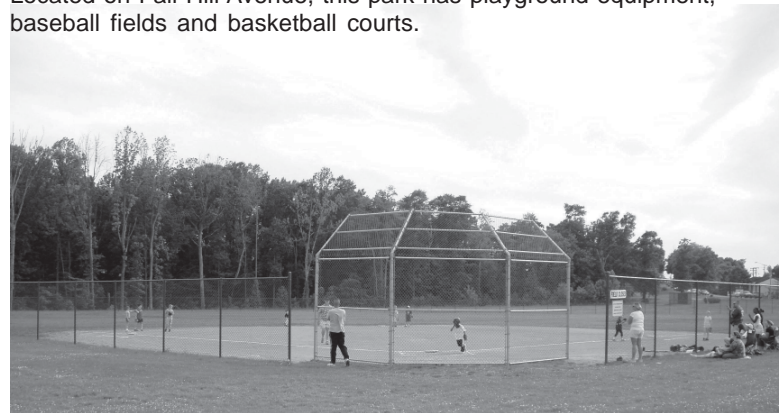


Old Walker-Grant School

Located at 200 Gunnery Road, the facility has open playing fields, a lighted basketball court, and a children's play area.

Snowden Park

Located on Fall Hill Avenue, this park has playground equipment, baseball fields and basketball courts.



Snowden Park's new baseball fields host a portion of the Parks and Recreation summer baseball league.

Special Thanks to Roxbury Mills Farm & Garden for tending the gardens in the triangle bounded by Wolfe St., Prince Edward St. and Kenmore Ave. The area always looks great and we appreciate your hard work.



Parks in Progress

Dixon Park Swimming Pool

Phase 2 of the Dixon Park Project is now complete and our newest public swimming pool was opened this summer!



Feedback on any of the recreation complex phases is welcomed. Please drop off your suggestion at the Dorothy Hart Community Center, 408 Canal Street, Fredericksburg VA 22401; email us at fredprpf@fredericksburgva.gov; or call us at 540-372-1086, dial 7 for the Suggestion Line and leave us a message.

Motts Run Reservoir

The city's best kept secret for fishing, nature and outdoor fun is getting some improvements. Due to budget cuts, the City of Fredericksburg is unable to fund the requested major improvements to Motts Reservoir - like additional parking, running water, and more permanent restroom facilities to name a few. We still believe that these are worthwhile projects and are raising money to pay for these improvements. If you can help, please make your tax-deductible donation check payable to "Motts Reservoir Improvements." If you can help in some other manner, please call (540) 372-1086 ext. 203.

Planned Improvements Map

